

## Minutes - Board Meeting 04/04/2012

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Mineola held Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at Village Hall, 155 Washington Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Attorney John M. Spellman  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone  
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observer:** Rich Forestano, *Mineola American*  
Rich Tedesco, *Williston Times*  
Geoffrey Walter, *Patch .com*

**Sunshine Observers:** 14 Observers

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Work Session to order at 6:35 PM**

### Resolution No. 84-12

Resolved to approve bills and payroll.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

#### Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

### Resolution No. 85-12

Resolved to approve the minutes from the meetings of the Board of Trustees of March 7, 2012, March 14, 2012, and March 21, 2012, as amended.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

#### Vote:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

### Resolution No. 86-12

Resolved to approve a request of the Mineola Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. (MVAC) for the use of Wilson Park for its summer department picnic on Saturday, June 23, 2012 from 10:30 AM – 4:00 PM.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham  
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 87-12**

Resolved to approve a request of the Mineola Chamber of Commerce to conduct the Mineola Street Fair on Sunday September 23, 2012 (Raindate: Sunday September 30, 2012) using same site plan as 2011.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham  
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 88-12**

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola School District for the use of Wilson Park to conduct the Willis Avenue School's annual kindergarten class picnic, Tuesday, June 12, 2012, from 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No 89-12**

Resolved to authorize a public bid for the operation of the Community Pool Shuttle Van Service for the 2012 Pool Season.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 90-12**

Resolved to approve a request by Boy Scout Troop 45 for the use of a Community Center classroom on Saturday, April 21, 2012 and Sunday, April 22, 2012 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM to conduct a specialized first aid course.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham  
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

*Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero stated that he recently received the scholarship check reimbursing the second half of the cost of his attendance at the Cornell Municipal Institute for Village Clerks, July 2011.*

**Resolution No. 91-12**

Resolved to approve a request by the Mineola Fire Department for budget transfers in the amount of \$27,818.10 from the following lines:

From:	(Personal Services)	\$25,408.88
From:	(Annual Installation & Inspection)	\$ .32
From:	(Insurance Jr. Firefighter)	\$ 490.00
From:	(Bond Anticipation Note Interest)	\$ 8.90
To :	(Contractual Personal Services)	\$ 1,200.00
To :	(Equipment – Chief’s Car)	\$18,605.94
To :	(Fitness Equipment)	\$ 6,020.00
To :	(Serial Bond Interest)	\$ .16
To :	(Services Award Admin Exp)	\$ 82.00
	Total to be transferred:	\$25,908.10

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 92-12**

Resolve to authorize the following Budget Transfers:

General Fund			
<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Amount Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
DMV Scofflaw	10111041300	\$ 467.00	
Dues & Conferences	10141048000	\$ 566.20	
Rental - Strategic Alarms	10162042003	\$4,475.00	
Repairs - Air Conditioner	10162045501	\$ 335.00	
Repairs - Building	10162045507	\$2,640.96	
Repairs - Flags and Poles	10162045518	\$ 133.95	

Repairs - Buildings	10164045507	\$9,591.77	
Website - VOM	10168041201	\$ 2,377.55	
Maintenance of Equipment	10168045508	\$ 1,798.24	
Communication & Phone - Lease	10197041900	\$ 2,370.00	
Repairs - Autos	10332045502	\$ 316.71	
Repairs - Parking Meters	10332045531	\$ 50.34	
Fire Service Award Program	10341082830	\$ 3,188.28	
Stationary & Printing	10364040400	\$ 1,153.57	
Telephone	10364041800	\$ 745.68	
Tree Program	10511044202	\$ 280.00	
Repairs - Trucks	10511045547	\$ 10,470.77	
Ground Maint - Topsoil/Clay	10714044104	\$ 2,024.00	
Repairs - Buildings	10714045507	\$ 195.16	
Pers. Services - Comm Center	10718010000	\$ 600.28	
Senior Citizen Activities	10762049101	\$ 252.21	
NYS Retirement	10901082800	\$102,394.00	
Contingency	10199046500		\$146,426.67
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$146,426.67</b>	<b>\$146,426.67</b>

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

<u><b>Yes</b></u>	<u><b>No</b></u>	<u><b>Abstain</b></u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 93-12**

Resolve to authorize the following Budget Transfers

Water Fund			
<u>Account</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Stationery & Printing	20831040400	\$ 1,869.74	
Repairs - Electrical	20831045512	\$ 2,102.94	
Repairs - Street Openings	20831045544	\$11,885.00	
Repairs - Trucks	20831045547	\$ 4.41	
Repairs - Well # 4	20831045552	\$ 416.67	
NYS Retirement	20831082800		\$16,278.76
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$16,278.76</b>	<b>\$16,278.76</b>

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

<u><b>Yes</b></u>	<u><b>No</b></u>	<u><b>Abstain</b></u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

### Resolution No. 94-12

Resolve to authorize the following Budget Transfers:

Library Fund			
<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Equipment	30741020001	\$ 3,998.13	
Periodicals	30741020008	\$ 2,119.69	
Supplies - Miscellaneous	30741040618	\$ 2,345.63	
Service - Contract	30741045501	\$ 899.25	
Repairs - Buildings	30741045507	\$ 4,690.13	
Dues & Conferences	30741048000	\$ 1,904.90	
Serial Bonds Interest	30741078000	\$ 0.12	
NYS Retirement	30741082800	\$ 9,940.00	
Contingency	30741046500		\$ 2,731.78
Postage	30741047100		\$ 3,166.07
Health & Medical Insurance	30741083600		\$20,000.00
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$25,897.85</b>	<b>\$25,897.85</b>

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Scott P. Strauss

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Trustee George R. Durham

### Resolution No. 95-12

Resolve to authorize the following Budget Transfers

Pool Fund			
<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
NYS Retirement	40718082800	\$5,322.00	
Serial Bonds Principal	40718068000		\$ 0.41
BAN Interest	40718078100		\$ 2.87
Workers' Comp Insurance	40718083000		\$1,000.00
Contingency	40718046500		\$4,318.72
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$5,322.00</b>	<b>\$5,322.00</b>

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

Yes

No

Abstain

Mayor Scott P. Strauss

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 96-12**

Resolved to authorize a design report for repairs to the Packed Tower Aeration System at Well #4:

Engineers: Dvirka & Bartilucci  
Cost: \$26,345.00

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 97-12**

Resolved to award the Uniforms Contract to the sole bidder, Eighth Street Designs.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 98-12**

Resolved to award the contract for Station Plaza Parking Field and Drainage Improvements to the lowest responsible bidder, Tri-State Paving LLC, based upon their low bid of \$263,996.45.

Motioned by Trustee George R. Durham  
Seconded by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 99-12**

Resolved to authorize the installation of a “No Commercial Vehicle Parking, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.” parking restriction in Parking Filed No. 13 – Wilson Park parking lot on Union Street.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**Vote:**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Mayor Scott P. Strauss		
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther		
Trustee Paul S. Cusato		
Trustee Paul A. Pereira		
Trustee George R. Durham		

**Resolution No. 100-12**

Resolved to approve a request to post for a half-time Parking Enforcement Officer.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 101-12**

Resolved to declare Friday, April 27, 2012, "Arbor Day" in the Village of Mineola and commemorate this day with the planting of a tree at the Mineola Memorial Library at 8:00 AM.

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Trustee George R. Durham

*Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen presented a monthly financial report for March 2012.*

*Village Attorney John M. Spellman recommended the following resolutions:*

**Resolution No. 102-12**

Resolved to authorize the issuance of a Request For Proposals for the Smart-Growth Redevelopment Plan for Downtown Site.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Seconded by Trustee George R. Durham

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther

Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Trustee Paul A. Pereira

Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 103-12**

Resolved to declare that the Board of Trustees continues to serve as lead agency under the New York State Environment Quality Review Act (SEQRA) on the 250 Old Country Road project.

Motioned by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Resolution No. 104-12**

Resolved to set a Public Hearing date for the application of 250 Old Country Road on May 23, 2012.

Motioned by Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Seconded by Trustee Paul S. Cusato

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Work Session at 7:15 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss called the Public Meeting to order at 7:45 PM.**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Village Attorney John M. Spellman  
Village Clerk Joseph R. Scalero  
Deputy Village Clerk Cora T. Kelly  
Village Treasurer Giacomo Ciccone  
Superintendent of Public Works Thomas J. Rini  
Superintendent of Buildings Daniel B. Whalen

**Press Observer:**

Rich Forestano, *Mineola American*  
Rich Tedesco, *Williston Times*  
Geoffrey Walter, *Patch.com*

**Sunshine Observers:**

28 Observers

Mayor Scott P. Strauss congratulated Trustee Cusato and Trustee Pereira on their re-election; thanked Honorary Fire Chief Bill Gresalfi and Ex-Chief Gary Mazur and everyone involved in the annual Junior Fire Department Pasta Dinner; stated that he and Deputy Mayor Paul Pereira attended a ribbon cutting ceremony at a newly renovated house on Westbury Avenue that was a partnership between Nassau County and Habitat for Humanity; attended the Portuguese Lions Club Breakfast, congratulating them on a wonderful event; and announced that the "Night on the



Town” will be held at Jericho Terrace on May 3, 2012 honoring former Senator Mike Balboni. Mayor Strauss also announced that Legislator Richard Nicoletto will host the Mammography Screening Van at the Village Hall west parking lot on April 11, 2012 from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Mayor Strauss reminded residents to come out and support the Mineola Athletic Association (MAA) Opening Day Parade on April 14, 2012 and thanked the department heads for holding the line on their budgets as he had requested, noting that the tentative 2012/2013 budget looks to be 2.56% increase. Mayor Strauss reminded residents that the Public Hearing on the village budget would be held at 6:30 PM on Thursday April 12, 2012. Mayor Strauss recognized and congratulated Mineola Firefighter Jim Carlson as he was recently called to donate platelets which resulted in saving a child’s life. Mayor Strauss wished all residents a Happy Easter and a Happy Passover.

Trustee Lawrence A. Werther commented on the “Night on the Town” planned for May 3, 2012, stating that the proceeds go to support Lymphoma research, and encouraged residents to support this event. Trustee Werther reported that Governor Cuomo proposed in his state budget a change to registrar fees for the State of New York, but did not propose the same for villages and suggested that residents contact their state legislators to ensure that villages get the same increase. Trustee Werther stated that Governor Cuomo also proposed that the state should be lead agency on any large projects rather than local villages and again encouraged residents to let their legislators know that they prefer to maintain this right as a way of protecting villages. Trustee Werther extended his best wishes for a Happy Passover and a Blessed Easter.

Trustee Paul S. Cusato thanked residents for their support in his re-election and congratulated Trustee Pereira on his re-election. Trustee Cusato stated that he attended the Mineola Junior Fire Department Pasta Dinner and the Portuguese Lions Club Breakfast and congratulated both groups on staging wonderful community events. Trustee Cusato reminded everyone of the Mineola Athletic Association Little League Parade on April 14, 2012 and wished everyone a Happy Passover and a Happy Easter.

Trustee Paul A. Pereira stated that he looked forward to working for the residents and thanked them for their support in his recent re-election and congratulated Trustee Cusato. Trustee Pereira reported that he attended the Portuguese Lions Club Breakfast which was a great event and thanked the community for their support. Trustee Pereira attended the Macaroni Dinner at Mineola High School which raised over \$3,000 for the Interfaith Nutrition Network. Trustee Pereira wished everyone a Happy Passover and a Happy Easter.

Trustee George R. Durham congratulated both trustees on their re-election; stated that he attended the Mineola Junior Fire Department Pasta Dinner, the Mineola High School Macaroni Night fundraiser for the Interfaith Nutrition Network, and the Portuguese Lions Club Breakfast adding that all were wonderful community events. Trustee Durham extended his wishes for a Happy Passover and a Happy Easter.

*2 Speakers addressed the Board*

**Mayor Scott P. Strauss requested a motion to close the Public Meeting at 8:15 PM.**

Motioned by Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Seconded by Trustee Paul A. Pereira

**Vote:**

**Yes**

**No**

**Abstain**

Mayor Scott P. Strauss  
Trustee Lawrence A. Werther  
Trustee Paul S. Cusato  
Trustee Paul A. Pereira  
Trustee George R. Durham